



# CITY OF ASH GROVE NEWS

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### Mayor

Les Gardner

### Council

Pat Hurley  
Jerry Kane  
William Wagner  
Troy Watts

### City Clerk

Melissa Mau

### Utility Billing Clerk

Jennifer Martin

### Court Clerk

Jennifer Martin

### Public Works

Larry Harrison  
Bill Dunfield

### Police Chief

Darin Chance

### Officers

Andrew Benjamin  
Matthew Adkins  
Sergeant Bob Bell  
Riley Benton

### Reserve Officers

Matt Coombes  
Felicity Cordell  
Joseph Mahan  
Melinda McElroy  
Denny Lawson

### Resource Specialist

E M Director  
Jacob Marler

### Park Board

Sue Van Strohe

### Planning & Zoning Board

Dan Downing

### Fire Department

Tony Monnig

### EMERGENCY 911

Liberty Electric  
1-800-206-2300

WCA (Trash)  
1-800-323-7548

### Spire

1-800-582-1234

### LIBRARY LAUNCHING STORYQUEST

To get families out and active this spring, the Springfield-Greene County Library is launching StoryQuest, a community scavenger hunt with a literary twist. Beginning March 1 through April 30, families can find StoryQuest guides in the Spring Bookends, at any library branch or mobile library, and on the Library's web page at [thelibrary.org](http://thelibrary.org). The guide will challenge participants to visit at least six of the 12 StoryQuest sites and engage in an activity at the different locations. To make the adventure even more fun, the Library has paired each location with read-aloud recommendations for families to enjoy together. After visiting six StoryQuest sites, families can return the guide to a library to earn a book bag. The Railroad Town, U.S.A. mural in Ash Grove is one of the 12 sites listed on the StoryQuest guide!

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### SEVERE WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK March 1 - 5

A good time for all Missouri citizens to practice their severe weather plan will be during the Annual Missouri Severe Weather Drill which will be held Tuesday, March 2nd at 10:00 am (If severe weather on this day the reschedule date is Thursday, March 4th at 10:00 am

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### UPCOMING GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION

The Municipal General Election for the City of Ash Grove will be held on Tuesday, April 6, 2021. The last day to register to vote in this election is Wednesday, March 10, 2021. The following officials are to be elected:

One Alderman - First Ward (2 year term)

William Wagner

One Alderman - Second Ward (2 year term)

Diana Simpson

Chala Baker

Pat Hurley

City of Ash Grove Proposition 1

(Vote YES or NO)

Shall the City of Ash Grove, Missouri, be authorized to forgo annual elections if the number of candidates who have filed for a particular office is equal to the number of positions in the office to be filled by the election.

YES [ ] NO [ ]

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### Upcoming Events

Saturday, May 1 - City Wide Garage Sale

Saturday, June 5 - City Wide Clean Up

Friday, June 11 - Arbor Day Celebration

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Nathan and Olive Boone Historic Site, 7850 N State Hwy V

Winter Hours: November 1 - March 31

OPEN Friday & Saturday from 10 am to 4 pm

Sunday from 1 pm to 4 pm

Closed Monday through Thursday (417) 751-3266

### DATES TO REMEMBER

- \* Monday, March 1 - Council Meeting 7 pm
- \* Tuesday, March 2 - American Legion 6:30 pm
- \* Wednesday, March 3 - Water Bills Due by 4:30 pm
- \* Thursday, March 4- Water Bill penalty applied
- \* Friday, March 5 - Water Bill calculated/mailed
- \* Sunday, March 7 - Sunday Lunch at the Sunshine Center from 11:30-1:00
- \* Tuesday, March 9 - P & Z Meeting 7 pm
- \* Wednesday, March 10 - Siren Test 10 am
- \* Sunday, March 14 - Daylight Savings Time Begins
- \* Monday, March 15 - Council Study Session 7 pm
- \* Thursday, March 18 - Municipal Court 3 pm
- \* Thursday, March 18 - Tree Board Meeting 6:30 pm
- \* Thursday, March 18 - Park Board Meeting 7 pm
- \* Thursday, March 18 - Food Pantry Meeting 6 pm
- \* Saturday, March 20 - DRIVE UP Food Pantry Distribution at 121 W. Main, 9 a'm to 11 am, Valid Drivers License, SS numbers, & proof of Greene Co. Residency. BY APPOINTMENT AT 379-4421
- \* Monday, March 22 - Fire Department Meeting 6 pm
- \* Tuesday, March 23 - P & Z Meeting 7 pm
- \* Thursday, April 1 - April Fools Day!
- \* Sunday, April 4 - Happy Easter!
- \* Monday, April 5 - City Council 7 pm

\*Follow Ash Grove HTC on Facebook for March Meeting Updates\*

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### BARGAINS AND BLESSINGS (Note Change)

Thursday thru Saturday 10 am to 2 pm. Donations are always welcome and they directly help local citizens!

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### SUNSHINE CENTER TEMPORARILY CLOSED

If you are 60 or older and would like meals for pickup or delivery please call 751-3826.

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### RECYCLING CENTER

The Ash Grove Recycling Center, 704 Industrial Drive is open Monday-Friday 9-4pm, Saturday 9-12pm (Closed on Holidays)

Rent the Barham House for \$65.00, Fax \$1.00 per 3 pages

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### DIAPER BANK DRIVE UP ONLY

The United Methodist Church Diaper Bank distribution will be on Saturday, March 20th. Pre-register by March 14th by mailing your name, address, and phone number, and the name and product size for baby/child/adult to [agfriendsandneighbors@gmail.com](mailto:agfriendsandneighbors@gmail.com).

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### Contact Information for City of Ash Grove

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